

PROCLAMATION

CHOKECHERRY CAPITOL OF MINNESOTA

- WHEREAS, Chokecherry tree planting goes as far back as 1724; and
- WHEREAS, the blooms are white and flower throughout the spring and summer enhancing the beauty of our community; and
- WHEREAS, the Chokecherry tree is now primarily used to control erosion problems by conserving precious topsoil and is also used for ornamentation of the landscape; and
- WHEREAS, the fruit of the Chokecherry is edible and many jams, jellies, preserves, syrup, and even wines are made from the Chokecherry tree fruit; and
- WHEREAS, not only does Chokecherry Tree planting benefit mankind, it is a boon to animals such as black bears, raccoons, chipmunks, and cotton tail rabbits as well with more than 40 different species of birds enjoying the fruits of the Chokecherry; and
- WHEREAS, there are numerous Chokecherry trees planted in the City of Pequot Lakes; and
- WHEREAS, the Lion's Club host an annual Chokecherry Festival in the City of Pequot Lakes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pequot Lakes City Council does hereby proclaim:

THE CITY OF PEQUOT LAKES AS CHOKECHERRY CAPITOL OF MINNESOTA

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council urges all citizens to support its efforts by protecting the existing Chokecherry trees in the City and by continuing to plant more Chokecherry trees to be enjoyed and cherished by future generations.

Passed and adopted by the Pequot Lakes City Council this 1st day of June, 2010

Nancy A. Adams, Mayor

Sandra A. Peine, City Clerk